REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claim 28 is presently active in this case. Claims 1-27 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claim 28 has been added by way of the present Amendment.

In response to the Election of Species requirement dated April 15, 2005, the Applicants provisionally elected with traverse the species of Figure 21 and identified previously pending Claims 1-4 as readable on the provisionally elected species. The Applicants submit that the indication of Figure 21 as the provisionally elected species was a typographical error. The Applicants intended to elect the species of Figure 2. The Applicants submit that previously pending Claims 1-4 are readable on both species of Figures 2 and 21. These claims are directed to a gas turbine plant comprising, among other features, a heat exchange section, which is depicted in both Figures 2 and 21 and referred to using the same reference numeral (16) in both figures. Note that the specification indicates that in both Figures 2 and 21 like reference numerals are used to designate the same components. (See page 35, 9-14, and page 57, lines 3-7.) Thus, the Applicants respectfully request that the provisionally elected species be indicated in the record as relating to Figure 2.

The anticipation rejections of Claims 1 and 2 and the obviousness rejection of Claim 3 have been rendered moot by the cancellation of Claims 1-3.

Claim 4 was indicated as containing allowable subject matter. Newly added Claim 28 contains the allowable subject matter of Claim 4, intervening Claim 3, and base Claim 1.

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Thus, the Applicants respectfully submit that newly added Claim 28 is in condition for allowance.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for formal allowance and an early and favorable reconsideration of this application is therefore requested.

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